My Lord Newvarks SPEECH

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Concerning His MAIESTIES Commission of Array.

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Gentlemen, and my good Countrey-men all,

THeſe Noble Gentlemen and my ſelfe have called you together by vertue of His Majeſties Commiſsion of Array directed to us, I ſhall acquaint you with the grounds and reaſons of it, which are theſe, the defence of His moſt ſacred Perſon, of your Liberties, Laws, Religion, and the juſt priviledges of both Houſes of Par-

liament. These are the ends of this Commission, and of all His Majesties actions and endeavors, they tend hither as to their proper Centre and place of rest; I know herein you easily beleeve me, the least doubt cannot remain with them that have so often had his Royall word, his solemne and frequent protestations to this purpose, and the Word of a King is sacred as His Person, what then are His solemne Protestations?

I hope this is the farthest journey you shall take, and that your Countrey shall be the onely Spheare wherin you are to move, I am sure His Majesty heartily desires it should be so; But if there be urgent and necessarily occasions that you must goe further, I

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will accompany you, and not any ſhall be expoſed to that hazzard I will not be my ſelfe; your trouble ſhall be mine, your danger mine, all fortunes I will participate with you, and my care of every one of you ſhall be equall to that I ſhal have of my ſelf. I ſhould have been glad to have found any where, ſuch zeale and readineſſe to ſerve the King; but rejoyce much more to find them here, amongſt you my Countreymen, in this place, the place of my birth, and my affections; It ſhould argue ſome diffidence I had of you to perſwade you to obedience and loyalty to your Prince, and indeed I ſhould loſe time in ſo doing, when I already ſee your hearts full of them, and well may

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they be ſo to him that is ſo careful and tender of the good of you, So gracious a Prince, as unexampled in vertue as in Royalty; beſides I ſhould but lay open my owne folly in thinking any Arguments could be more prevalent and of greater efficacy with you then thoſe I have already named, your religion, the ſafety & preſervation of your Prince, of your Lawes, and Liberties, and of all that is deere and neere unto you, to theſe I may adde, the faithfull keeping of thoſe religious Oaths and Proteſtations you have taken; with whom theſe would not be powerfull I am ſure nothing under Heaven could, no not Heaven it ſelfe.

I have acquainted the KING, and fully, with your forward-

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neſſe to ſerve him, and told him that this Countrey hath beene onely remoter from His Perſon, but as neere to him in heart as *York-ſhire*, and that in our dutifull affections to Him we will not be ſecond to any ſubjects He hath. I have no more to trouble you with, you may all now depart every one to his own home, where I pray God you may happily live, and enioy the benefit of thoſe good Lawes the care of former times hath tranſferred to you, and the goodneſſe of His Maieſty hath beſtowed, and is ſtill ready to beſtow more upon you.

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